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§22-33-5. Definitions.

As used in this article:

(a) “Correlative right” means the right of each geothermal owner in a geothermal system to produce without waste his or her just and equitable share of the geothermal resource in the geothermal system.

(b) “Geothermal energy” means the usable energy that is produced or that can be produced from a geothermal resource.

(c) “Geothermal resource” means the natural heat of the earth and the energy, in whatever form, that is present in, associated with, or created by, or that may be extracted from, such natural heat, as determined by the secretary by legislative rule.

(d) “Geothermal system” means any aquifer, pool, reservoir, or other geologic formation containing geothermal resources.

(e) “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection or his or her designee as provided in article one of this chapter.

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